Amendment to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) An ²²⁵Ac complex comprising a functionalized chelant compound of the formula I

$$L \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} X \\ -C \\ Y \end{pmatrix}_m} (CH_2)_n - C \xrightarrow{l} (CH_2)_r - N \xrightarrow{N} N - Q$$

wherein:

each Q is independently hydrogen or (CHR⁵)_pCO₂R;

Q¹ is hydrogen or (CHR⁵)_wCO₂R;

each R independently is hydrogen, benzyl or C₁-C₄ alkyl; with the proviso that at least two of the sum of Q and Q¹ must be other than hydrogen;

each R⁵ independently is hydrogen; C₁-C₄ alkyl or (C₁-C₂ alkyl)phenyl;

X and Y are each independently hydrogen or may be taken with an adjacent X and Y to form an additional carbon-carbon bond;

n is 0 or 1;

m is an integer from 0 to 10 inclusive;

p is 1 or 2;

r is O or 1;

w is O or 1;

with the proviso that n is only 1 when X and/or Y form an additional carbon to carbon bond, and the sum of r and w is 0 or 1;

L is a linker/spacer group covalently bonded to, and replaces one hydrogen atom of one of the carbon atoms to which it is joined, said linker/spacer group being represented by the formula

$$R^{l}$$
 (Cyc) S

wherein

s is an integer of 0 or 1;

carboxyl; or

t is an integer of 0 to 20 inclusive;

R¹ is an electrophilic or nucleophilic moiety which allows for covalent attachment to an antibody or fragment of thereof, or synthetic linker which can be attached to an antibody or fragment thereof, or precursor thereof; and Cyc represents a cyclic aliphatic moiety, aromatic moiety, aliphatic heterocyclic moiety, or aromatic heterocyclic moiety, each of said moieties optionally substituted with one or more groups which do not interfere with binding to an antibody or antibody fragment; with the proviso that when s, t, m, r, and n are 0, then R¹ is other than

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof; complexed with ²²⁵Ac.

2. (Original) The ²²⁵Ac complex of Claim 1 wherein the functionalized chelant is a compound of formula II

wherein:

each Q independently is hydrogen or CHR⁵COOR; with the proviso that at least two of Q must be other than hydrogen

each R independently is hydrogen benzyl or C₁-C₄ alkyl;

m is integer from 0 to 5 inclusive;

R² is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, nitro, amino, isothiocyanato, semicarbazido, thiosemicarbazido, carboxyl, bromoacetamido and maleimido;

 R^3 is selected from the group consisting of C_1 - C_4 alkoxy, -OCH₂COOH, hydroxy and hydrogen;

R⁴ is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, nitro, amino, isothiocyanato, semicarbazido, thiosemicarbazido, carboxyl, bromoacetamido and maleimido;

each R⁵ independently is hydrogen or C₁-C₄ alkyl;

with the proviso that R^2 and R^4 cannot both be hydrogen but one of R^2 and R^4 must be hydrogen; or

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

3. (Original) The ²²⁵Ac complex of Claim 1 wherein the functionalized chelant is a compound of formula III

$$R^{2} \xrightarrow{Q^{1}} (CH_{2})_{m} \xrightarrow{Q^{1}} N \xrightarrow{N} N - Q$$

$$R^{4} \xrightarrow{Q^{1}} N \xrightarrow{N} N - Q$$

wherein:

each Q independently is hydrogen or CHR5COOR;

Q¹ is hydrogen or (CHR⁵)_wCO₂R; with the proviso that at least two the sum of Q and Q¹ must be other than hydrogen and one Q is hydrogen;

each R independently is hydrogen benzyl or C₁-C₄ alkyl;

m is integer from 0 to 5 inclusive;

w is 0 or 1;

R² is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, nitro, amino, isothiocyanato, semicarbazido, thiosemicarbazido, carboxyl, bromoacetamido and maleimido;

 R^3 is selected from the group consisting of C_1 - C_4 alkoxy, -OCH₂COOH, hydroxy and hydrogen;

R⁴ is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, nitro, amino, isothiocyanato, semicarbazido, thiosemicarbazido, carboxyl, bromoacetamido and maleimido;

each R^5 independently is hydrogen or C_1 - C_4 alkyl; with the proviso that R^2 and R^4 cannot both be hydrogen but one of R^2 and R^4 must be hydrogen; or

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

4. (Original) The ²²⁵Ac complex of Claim 1 wherein the fuctionalized chelant is a compound of formula IV

$$R^{2} \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \\ \\ \end{array}} (CH_{2})_{m} \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{c} \\ \end{array}} (CH_{2})_{m} \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \end{array}} (CH_$$

wherein:

each Q independently is hydrogen or CHR⁵COOR; with the proviso that at least one Q must be other than hydrogen;

each R independently is hydrogen benzyl or C₁-C₄ alkyl;

m is integer from 0 to 5 inclusive;

R² is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, nitro, amino, isothiocyanato, semicarbazido, thiosemicarbazido, carboxyl, bromoacetamido and maleimido;

R³ is selected from the group consisting of C₁-C₄ alkoxy, -OCH₂COOH, hydroxy and hydrogen;

R⁴ is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, nitro, amino, isothiocyanato, semicarbazido, thiosemicarbazido, carboxyl, bromoacetamido and maleimido;

each R⁵ independently is hydrogen or C₁-C₄ alkyl;

with the proviso that R^2 and R^4 cannot both be hydrogen but one of R^2 and R^4 must be hydrogen; or

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

- 5. (Original) The ²²⁵Ac complex of Claim 1 wherein the functionalized chelant compound is 1-[(2-methoxy-5-isothiocyanatophenyl)-carboxymethyl]-4,7,10-triscarboxy-methyl-1,4,7,10-tetraazacyclododecane (MeO-DOTA-NCS).
- 6. (Original) An ²²⁵Ac conjugate comprising a functionalized chelant compound of the formula I

$$L \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} X \\ -C \\ Y \end{pmatrix}_m} (CH_2)_n \xrightarrow{Q} (CH_2)_r \xrightarrow{N} N \xrightarrow{N} Q$$

wherein:

each Q is independently hydrogen or (CHR⁵)_pCO₂R;

Q¹ is hydrogen or (CHR⁵)_wCO₂R;

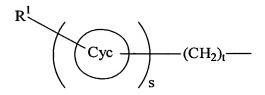
each R independently is hydrogen. benzyl or C_1 - C_4 alkyl; with the proviso that at least two of the sum of Q and Q^1 must be other than hydrogen; each R^5 independently is hydrogen; C_1 - C_4 alkyl or $(C_1$ - C_2 alkyl)phenyl;

X and Y are each independently hydrogen or may be taken with an adjacent X and Y to form an additional carbon-carbon bond;

n is 0 or 1; m is an integer from 0 to 10 inclusive; p is 1 or 2; r is O or 1; w is O or 1;

with the proviso that n is only 1 when X and/or Y form an additional carbon-carbon bond, and the sum of r and w is 0 or 1;

L is a linker/spacer group covalently bonded to, and replaces one hydrogen atom of one of the carbon atoms to which it is joined, said linker/spacer group being represented by the formula



wherein

s is an integer of 0 or 1;

t is an integer of 0 to 20 inclusive;

R¹ is an electrophilic or nucleophilic moiety which allows for covalent attachment to an antibody or fragment of thereof, or synthetic linker which can be attached to an antibody or fragment thereof, or precursor thereof; and Cyc represents a cyclic aliphatic moiety, aromatic moiety, aliphatic heterocyclic moiety, or aromatic heterocyclic moiety, each of said moieties optionally substituted with one or more groups which do not interfere with binding to an antibody or antibody fragment;

with the proviso that when s, t, m, r, and n are 0, then R^1 is other than carboxyl; or

pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof;

complexed with ²²⁵Ac; and covalently attached to a biological molecule.

7. (Original) The ²²⁵Ac conjugate of Claim 6 wherein the functionalized chelant is a compound of formula II

$$R^{2} \xrightarrow{R^{3}} (CH_{2})_{m} \xrightarrow{C} N \xrightarrow{N} N - Q$$

$$R^{4} \xrightarrow{R^{3}} (CH_{2})_{m} \xrightarrow{C} N \xrightarrow{N} N - Q$$

wherein:

each Q independently is hydrogen or CHR⁵COOR; with the proviso that at least two of Q must be other than hydrogen

each R independently is hydrogen benzyl or C₁-C₄ alkyl;

m is integer from 0 to 5 inclusive;

R² is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, nitro, amino, isothiocyanato, semicarbazido, thiosemicarbazido, carboxyl, bromoacetamido and maleimido;

 R^3 is selected from the group consisting of C_1 - C_4 alkoxy, -OCH₂COOH, hydroxy and hydrogen;

R⁴ is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, nitro, amino, isothiocyanato, semicarbazido, thiosemicarbazido, carboxyl, bromoacetamido and maleimido;

each R⁵ independently is hydrogen or C₁-C₄ alkyl;

with the proviso that R² and R⁴ cannot both be hydrogen but one of R² and R⁴ must be hydrogen; or

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

8. (Original) The ²²⁵Ac conjugate of Claim 6 wherein the functionalized chelant is a compound of formula III

wherein:

each Q independently is hydrogen or CHR⁵COOR;

Q¹ is hydrogen or (CHR⁵)_wCO₂R; with the proviso that at least two the sum of Q and Q¹ must be other than hydrogen and one Q is hydrogen;

each R independently is hydrogen benzyl or C₁-C₄ alkyl;

m is integer from 0 to 5 inclusive;

w is 0 or 1;

R² is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, nitro, amino, isothiocyanato, semicarbazido, thiosemicarbazido, carboxyl, bromoacetamido and maleimido;

 R^3 is selected from the group consisting of C_1 - C_4 alkoxy, -OCH₂COOH, hydroxy and hydrogen;

R⁴ is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, nitro, amino, isothiocyanato, semicarbazido, thiosemicarbazido, carboxyl, bromoacetamido and maleimido;

each R⁵ independently is hydrogen or C₁-C₄ alkyl;

with the proviso that R^2 and R^4 cannot both be hydrogen but one of R^2 and R^4 must be hydrogen; or

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

9. (Original) The ²²⁵Ac conjugate of Claim 6 wherein the functionalized chelant is a compound of formula IV

$$R^{2} \xrightarrow{\qquad \qquad CO_{2}R \qquad \qquad N \qquad N-Q} \\ R^{4} \xrightarrow{\qquad \qquad CO_{2}R \qquad \qquad N \qquad N-Q}$$

wherein:

each Q independently is hydrogen or CHR⁵COOR; with the proviso that at least one Q must be other than hydrogen;

each R independently is hydrogen, benzyl or C₁-C₄ alkyl;

m is integer from 0 to 5 inclusive;

R² is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, nitro, amino, isothiocyanato, semicarbazido, thiosemicarbazido, carboxyl, bromoacetamido and maleimido;

R³ is selected from the group consisting of C₁-C₄ alkoxy, -OCH₂COOH, hydroxy and hydrogen;

R⁴ is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, nitro, amino, isothiocyanato, semicarbazido, thiosemicarbazido, carboxyl, bromoacetamido and maleimido;

each R⁵ independently is hydrogen or C₁-C₄ alkyl;

with the proviso that R² and R⁴ cannot both be hydrogen but one of R² and R⁴ must be hydrogen; or

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

- 10. (Original) The ²²⁵Ac conjugate of Claim 6 wherein the functionalized chelant compound is 1-[(2-methoxy-5-isothiocyanatophenyl)-carboxymethyl]-4,7,10-triscarboxy-methyl-1,4,7,10-tetraazacyclododecane (MeO-DOTA-NCS).
- 11. (Original) The ²²⁵Ac conjugate of any one of Claims 6 to 10 wherein the biological molecule is an antibody or antibody fragment.



- 12. (Currently amended) The ²²⁵Ac conjugate of any one of Claims 6 to 10 wherein the biological molecule is selected from the group of antibodies consisting of NuM195HuM195, CC-49, CC-49 F(ab')₂, CC-83, and CC-83 F(ab')₂.
- 13. (Original) The ²²⁵Ac conjugate of Claim 6 wherein the functionalized chelant compound of the conjugate is 1-[(2-methoxy-5-isothiocyanatophenyl)-carboxymethyl]-4,7,10-triscarboxy-methyl-1,4,7,10-tetraazacyclododecane and the biological molecule is selected from the group of antibodies consisting of HuM195, CC-49, CC-49 F(ab')₂, CC-83, and CC-83 F(ab')₂.
- 14. (Original) The ²²⁵Ac conjugate of Claim 13 wherein the functionalized chelant compound of the conjugate is 1-[(2-methoxy-5-isothiocyanatophenyl)-carboxymethyl]-4,7,10-triscarboxy-methyl-1,4,7,10-tetraazacyclododecane and the biological molecule is HuM195 antibody.
- 15. (Original) A pharmaceutical formulation comprising the ²²⁵Ac conjugate of any one of Claims 6 to 10 with a pharmaceutically acceptale carrier.
- 16. (Original) A pharmaceutical formulation comprising the ²²⁵Ac conjugate of Claim 12 with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 17. (Original) A pharmaceutical formulation comprising the ²²⁵Ac conjugate of Claim 13 or Claim 14 with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 18. (Original) A method of the therapeutic treatment of a mammal having cancer which comprises administering to said mammal a therapeutically effective amount of a pharmaceutical formulation of Claim 15.
- 19. (Original) A method of the therapeutic treatment of a mammal having cancer which comprises administering to said mammal a therapeutically effective amount of a pharmaceutical formulation of Claim 16.
- 20. (Original) A method of the therapeutic treatment of a mammal having cancer which comprises administering to said mammal a therapeutically effective amount of a pharmaceutical formulation of Claim 17.